Dixon crowned Miss EGSC 2016

by HARRY DUKES, EGSC Student

Days before the birth- 
day of Martin Luther 
King Jr., students walked 
into the auditorium on 
the cold night of January 14. Under its cur- 
cent director, Jonathan McCollar, the African American Male Initiative (AAMI) program at East Geor-

The program began with an introduction by Deborah Kittrell Mike-
rill, Director of Academic Advising and former di-
ector of AAMI. Agape Worship Center provided 
gospel music, and one of EGSC’s own, Germaine Williams, sang with the choir.

Jabari Williams, a 
choir member, sang with the 
ed gospel music, and one 
Worship Center provid-
rector of AAMI. Agape 
Advising and former di-
l, Director of Academic 

McCollar, Johnson and EGSC President Bohemer

AAMI hosts first MLK program

by KATELYN MOORE, EGSC, Communications Coordinator

On February 6, 2016, East Georgia State 
College crowned their 2016 Miss EGSC Scholarship Pageant Winner, Jessica Dixon. The 18-year-old is the daughter of Michael and Pam Dixon of Gi-

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Autumn Coxwell practices side plank position in PHED 1101

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er prominent figures in 

Motivation to go to college but now we 

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Preparing mind and body: A Defense of the Liberal Arts

by DEAN H. LEE CHEEK, JR., School of Social Sciences

The liberal arts help order the soul of a democratic society, the perpetuation of the social and political order depends on an educated populous. If a society is to prevail, it must preserve and transmit the generative ideas that give coherence to the fabric of human life.

The liberal arts are often misunderstood, however. The liberal arts are not something we have nothing to do with a specific political idea or movement. Rather, they would support the liberal arts and be a follower of Bernie Sanders or Ted Cruz, or any other political candidate cause of your choice. Instead, a devotion to the liberal arts is an attachment to discovering the truth. A liberal arts curriculum trains students to think critically and imaginatively.

Unfortunately, the old liberal foundational concerns of what is commonly referred to as Western Education have lost much influence. The normative and traditions developed by families, churches, universities, among others, is that one must be for the body and the soul. At the heart of the problem lies an anxiety on the part of the West to realize the limits of its elevation of reason—a thoroughly modern concern—and the ensuing decline of personal freedom.

When the influence of the older approach to liberal learning, which appreciated the need for moral nhìn weighty tasks, is connected with the salient aspects of the older tradition, begun to dissipate, a new approach took shape. In the eighteenth century, "enlightened" thinkers propagated a new view of history and humanism that disputed the claims of classical and religious ideas into education. The Enlightenment solution was to separate the individual from the species, and this view has greatly influenced education in America.

Contrary to the praise for an education of malcontent and obscurity, the ends of a literal education must also be ethical. At the bottom, a liberal education depends upon the attempt to transmit the salient aspects of the older tradition to the rising generation. The imparting of the proper tools, the instruments of learning, can guide a student throughout his or her life; such an education nurtures the intellect and the moral imagination of the student.

One of the most important and influential thinkers of all time, Plato, the great philosopher of ancient Athens, suggested the importance of physical fitness as a central part of a liberal education. For Plato, the body and the mind were integrated, and this is a concept that we’ve never firm today; in fact, without a healthy mind and a healthy body, we could not be considered to be fully educated. Let us help men to succeed in life, God provided them with two main instruments of learning and physical activity. Not separated, the body and the soul; for the one and the other. Whether medical, humankind can attain perfection.

Accordingly, it is of utmost importance that a part of liberal education includes physical education. To have one without the other is to allow us to fall short of our potential as scholars.

Fashion faux pas: Will the wedgie-fit jean enlarge your assets?

by Debra Quinn, EGSC Augusta

The latest Levi’s wedgie-fit jeans are inspired by vintage Levi’s. This cheeky fashion trend is touted as the newest way to enhance a woman’s best asset. Before you buy, just know the Levi corporation is in- be financially exploited in the name of being “sexy.”

What do you think about physical education requirements for your degree?

Send your opinion to the Hoopee Bird staff at ohopee@ega.edu

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Removing the P.E. requirement

by ASHLEY FRANCO, EGSC Statenation

Many students in college just want to get their degrees and the classes they can do all of that on their own. However, since students are required to take institutional courses in Physical Education, they often spend the months before graduation in classes that do not prepare them for their career. In such a way, that frankly, should not be needed.

To argue that students need the exercise they assume that they have no outside activity as part of work duties, hobbies, or exercise routines. As adults, students are capable of maintaining a healthy lifestyle on their own. Many exercise as a way to relieve stress; I run to calm myself down. Forcing a student to attend Physical Education classes steals time from completing more relevant classes related to their major.

Instead, you could use that money for gas to get back and forth to school or to attend classes for your career. Individual classes exist for potential graduates; remove the one required for more important classes (and time for exercise).
**Levity, Language and Life**

GoodReads for March by EGSC Library Staff

Check out one of these books from the EGSC Library that we recently have reviewed on GoodReads. To see more recommendations, visit our page at https://www.goodreads.com/EGSLibrary.

**The Queen of the Tearling by Erika Johansen**

This fantasy (say it) dronelike novel tells the story of a 19-year-old girl who becomes the queen of a broken kingdom. And the first thing she does is start a war with a powerful neighboring country. This novel and the second book of the triology, *Invasive of the Tearling*, are available at the EGSC Library.

For fans of *Game of Thrones* or the *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins.

**Pretty Deadly by Karin Slaughter**

Written by Atlanta-based author, Karin Slaughter, this thriller follows two estranged sisters who are reconnected with surprise endings.

For fans of *Gone Girl* by Gillian Flynn and Lee Child.

**The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins**

★★★★★

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**The Shannara Chronicles by Terry Brooks**

★★★★★

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Have a book to recommend? Email us at library@ega.edu, or stop by and tell us!

**Trivia for March**

Want to win $20 in Bobcats Bucks? Prove that you know your East Georgia State College news by being the first student to answer this edition’s trivia question:

In last month’s publication, Volume 41, Number 1, in what city is the Bataan Memorial Auditorium located?

The winner will be notified by email and asked to submit a photograph to appear in the next edition. If no correct submission is received by the Wednesday, March 9, the first two correct answers will be accepted.

**History in March**

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March is Women's History Month! Check out our display of books, online articles, and websites dedicated to the achievements of women throughout the history of the EGSC Library in March.

http://ega.libguides.com/womenshistory

**Reminders from the Registrar**

**Early Registration for Summer and Fall 2016 Begins Monday, March 5 at 8 a.m.**

**Full-Term Withdrawal Deadline:**

Wednesday, March 2

**Session II Withdrawal Deadline:**

Wednesday, April 5

**Sudoku Difficult / Easy**

**The Crossword**

ACROSS
3. Bridge feature
5. Styalized instrument
16. Green
17. Cyborg
18. Take a for a ride
20. Not hold
22. Gym tote
24. Fly by lite bug
26. Older's look
27. Formula
28. Chewer's Willy's home
30. Understandable
33. Not of a photograph
35. Frikke fordren
37. Part of MADD
40. It may be rated
47. Caddy on
48. Energy drinks, perhaps
glam
49. Camel highlight
50. Drums, e.g.
52. Chlopets inter
53. Shipping hazards
54. What a slow reader may need
55. "Czar!"
56. Aine
57. Amore feature

DOWN
1. Adjoin
2. 18th cause
3. A religious leader
4. Turkey
take the profit
5. Cut down
6. Dancer
7. Small stream funding
8. First choice
9. 2007's "...of all the names..."
10. Catch
11. Bloody\w
17. One of two
18. 10th degree dance
20. Enrstate
21. Breakfast food
22. Oakland mark scarer
23. Change
25. Get off
26. Identifying mark
27. Face
28. Bar
29. 32..._bar
30. Cut down
31. Dancer
32. Predictor
33. An owner on a duplexer
34. Polpel a boat

**See you there! EVENTS AT EGSC**

Feb 24...Baseball Game vs. Florida State Jacksonville, 2:30 p.m.

Feb 25...CSU Symphony Wind Ensemble, 7:30 p.m.

Feb 27...Sherman's March Tour, Fullerton Center, 9 a.m.

Field Game vs. West Georgia Statesboro, Double Headed, 1:30 p.m.

Mar 2...Session I classes end

Game vs. USC Salukathletes, DoubleHeaded, 1:30 p.m.

Dr. Steve Reading Across America visit from Emanuel County Pre-K, 7 a.m.

Mar 9...Session II classes begin

Session I Final Exams

Mar 10...American Idol

Mar 11...Homecoming Dance/Casino Night, Fullerton Center, 7 p.m.

Mar 14...Spring Break—no classes

Mar 15...National SAT Exam, C236, 7 a.m.

Mar 25...Baseball Game vs. Darton, Double Header, 2 p.m.

Mar 26...2nd Annual Amazing Science Day, Fullerton Center, 10 a.m.

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The black lives matter movement is a grassroots movement which began in the United States in 2013. The movement was founded by a group of people who were inspired by the killing of Trayvon Martin in Florida. The movement aims to bring attention to the systemic racism and police brutality that black Americans face in the United States. The movement has gained momentum and has spread to other countries around the world. The movement has also inspired other movements focused on other issues such as gender equality and environmental justice.

One of the key figures in the movement is Beyoncé, a singer, songwriter, and actress. Beyoncé has been a vocal supporter of the movement and has used her platform to raise awareness about the issues. She has been criticized by some for her support, but many others have praised her for using her voice to bring attention to the movement.

Beyoncé's support for the movement has come in many forms. She has used her music videos to raise awareness about the issues, and she has been open about her support for the movement in interviews. She has also used her platform to raise funds for organizations working to support the movement.

The movement has been met with resistance and opposition from some quarters, but it has also gained support from a wide range of people. The movement's impact has been felt in many different ways, from local protests to international attention.

In conclusion, the black lives matter movement is a powerful force for change in the United States and around the world. It represents a growing recognition of the need for social justice and equality, and it continues to inspire and mobilize people across the globe.
**Month:** June

**Day:** 2

**Aries**

You are a worry wart but its only something. You can be a bit anallyzing and thinking about it. Perhaps you are the lovely Virgo. Are you brave, intuitive, and capable of being high-self-esteem and vocal about their opinions. Although hot tempered and quick to react. They can turn anything from hot to cold and may be prone to mood swings. They do not deal well with personal matters, and strive to be in control of their own lives. Capricorn born from December 22-29 are known for being intense. They tend to have vibrant personalities and enjoy the company of others. Aquarius.

Top 5 TV shows on Netflix for college students (in no particular order)

1. **House of Cards** - Government and politics
2. **Narcos** - Drug trafficking and cartel operations
3. **Stranger Things** - Science fiction and supernatural
4. **Breaking Bad** - Crime and drug dealing
5. **Fleabag** - Comedy and drama

**Film: Pride and Prejudice and Zombies: A Critique**

By VICTORIA LONG, EGSC Augusta

Released earlier this month, *Pride and Prejudice and Zombies* is an adaptation of Jane Austen's classic novel *Pride and Prejudice*. It combines romance, snark, sass, and zombies, of course, making for an enjoyable watch for males and females alike.

The movie does include lines from the original work, with added lines that make all the characters a little more snarky. It follows the story of Elizabeth Bennet and Mr. Darcy. You'll get more of the snark in the original novel, but the movie is still enjoyable. The Bennet sisters are all beautiful and just as deadly in combat, taking away that damsel in distress trop is that popular in action movies. Mr. Darcy and Mr. Bingley are just as witty and dashing as any of the original stars of the novel. The action scenes are top notch and not come unacquainted.

were among the zombies who attack and trow tides and safety of the main characters. The love plot leaves nothing to be desired, maybe in many, and my own personal opinion to have even made certain scenes more amusing or exciting. The drastic difference in respect to the next scene compared to Mr. Darcy's proposal which leaves her with a more vehement denial gives room to interpret her strong feelings and her affection towards the main character.

The George Widdon is end up exasperating and becomes more important to the plot instead of just a part of a triangle of feelings and he's just a character trying to get just money. The casting choices, overall, are well done and work to the story. The added zombies, however, make the story feel less genuine. Though there are zombie attacks and tense situations over the course of the film, they are not come away unscathed. The Bennett sisters are all beautiful and just as deadly in combat, taking away that damsel in distress trope that is popular in action movies. Mr. Darcy and Mr. Bingley are just as witty and dashing as any of the original stars of the novel. The action scenes are top notch and not come unacquainted.

Are you into zombies? Check out *Pride and Prejudice and Zombies*! It's a fun flick and should be seen by more people, or garner more attention with its amazing sense of self-awareness in and of itself.

A day in the life of a pageant contestant

By KISHAUNA JONES, EGSC Swainsboro

I never thought of myself as a pageant girl, trying to down the runway with a wagon full of talent and spending money on things I didn't need to wear or only once in a blue moon. Through the years, I thought that I only wanted one thing: to be happy while having a family. Every time I thought about showing people what you can do but being the confidence in yourself, your talents, and what you bring to the table. As a pageant girl isn't easy, it is definitely worth-while. As a young girl, I never entertained the thought of pageants because that's not something I always wanted to do; however, since I've been in college, I've realized that they are a great deal of fun. I began to enjoy this zone to explore the world, so I signed up for the pageant. I was nervous, I thought that I would only want one thing: to be happy while having a family. Every time I thought about showing people what you can do but being the confidence in yourself, your talents, and what you bring to the table. As a pageant girl isn't easy, it is definitely worth-while.

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by COREY HIGGINS, EGSC Augusta

• Meet with your advisor and your professors on a regular basis. Office hours and to graduate on time, it is essential for you to keep up with such information and, most importantly, your grades. In order to be successful in college and in life, you must take advantage of the many helpful resources that we have on campus to stay on track and be successful.

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How well do you know your Black History?

by ANGELA DANBYE, EGC August 5

Do you think you know your Black History? Here are some trivia questions to see if you really paid attention in history class.

1. Who was the first African American to win an Academy Award?
   a. Fredi Washington
   b. Hatti McDaniel
   c. Dorothy Danridge
   d. Olivia De Havilland

2. When did the Thirteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution take effect?
   a. 1867
   b. 1865
   c. 1920
   d. 1940

3. Who was the first African American to attend law school at Harvard?
   a. Charles Hamilton Houston
   b. Thurgood Marshall
   c. Jackie Robinson
   d. William Edward White

4. Who was the first African American to attend law school at Yale?
   a. Ernie Banks
   b. John Lewis
   c. Jackie Robinson
   d. William Edward White

5. Who was the first African American to win a Tour de France?
   a. Marshall Faulk
   b. Carl Lewis
   c. Lance Armstrong
   d. Bubba Watson

6. Who was the first African American to win a major men's singles tennis tournament?
   a. W.E.B. Du Bois
   b. Arthur Ashe
   c. Roger Federer
   d. Wilt Chamberlain

7. What year was the Thirteenth Amendment ratified, abolishing slavery?
   a. 1867
   b. 1865
   c. 1920
   d. 1940

8. What year was the Twenty-fourth Amendment ratified, prohibiting a poll tax as a qualification for voting?
   a. 1867
   b. 1865
   c. 1920
   d. 1940

9. Who was the first African American to win an Olympic gold medal in swimming?
   a. C. I. Martin
   b. William Marshall
   c. Lee Harvey Oswald
   d. W.E.B. Du Bois

10. Who was the only African American to be a First Lady?
    a. Alice Roosevelt Longworth
    b. Dolley Madison
    c. Jackie Robinson
    d. W.E.B. Du Bois


The University System of Georgia's African American Male Initiative:

Studies have shown that the national graduation rates for black males are lower than any other racial group. There are many factors that contribute to the low graduation rates, and the University System of Georgia is working to identify and address some of these factors. The Asian American Male Initiative program is one of the 28 Georgias that are participating in this program. Jonathan McCalcar is currently AAM's director for EGC. He said that more Asian American students might be interested in getting involved in the program. "We're encouraging students who might not have previously considered higher education to take a second look," McCalcar said. "We want to encourage students to explore their options and consider higher education as a viable option for them."
Economic outlook includes future jobs

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East Georgia State College hosted the 16th annual Economic Outlook Luncheon January 22. Dr. Jeff Humphreys, Director of the Simon S. Selig, Jr., Center for Economic Growth, addressed a large group in the gymnasium including local business and government leaders as well as EGSC faculty, staff, and the Ambassadors student group. The Selig Center, part of the Terry College of Business at the University of Georgia, "conducts research on economic demographic and social issues related to Georgia’s growth, guiding the state’s business, governments, and entrepreneurs on financial decision and public policy."

The luncheon offered a look at the center’s studies of the economy around the region. Research Professional Stephen Kuzniak predicted “There will be more jobs available in the years to come.” With this news, the outlook luncheon brought hope to small rural communities such as Swainsboro.

KUZNIAK OFFERS POSITIVE PREDICTION FOR LOCAL ECONOMY

Foundations featured in gallery during March

Stop by the East Georgia State College Student Art Gallery during March to check out drawing and design work from our very own art students. This exhibit highlights work from projects covered in Drawing, Two Dimensional Design and Three Dimensional Design courses. The featured artwork covers a wide range of design elements and design principles including—but not limited to—line, shape, color, unity, emphasis and balance. This exhibition illustrates the intense work ethic and hours of studio time art majors spend in perfecting their craft.

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